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## REMOVAL OF ASSERTION OF SMALL ENTITY STATUS

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.27 (c)(1), Applicants hereby request removal of small entity status pursuant to §1.27(g) (2) in the above-identified application. Fees paid presently and henceforth will be paid based on large entity status.

Respectfully submitted,

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